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1947 Honors Day Program

THE twenty-second annual Honors Day Program, held in Great Hall, last May 22, found the names of our fellow foresters mentioned often for honors that they received.

Perhaps the most distinguished forester among us who was recognized for his many achievements is that modest fellow, Ronald Alden Moss. His many citations and awards included; honor student of the Class of 1947; high scholarship student in the Division of Agriculture; an initiate of Alpha Zeta, Agricultural honorary fraternity; and an initiate of Phi Kappa Phi, National scholastic honorary.

Our department was well represented by high scholarship students in the Division of Agriculture. In the Class of 1948, Karl A. Loerch, Charles A. Parker, and Paul F. Hoffman were recognized. Ewdin (Moose) Zaidlicz and William G. Morlock were named as high scholarship students of the Class of 1949. Charles J. Coyle was recognized from the Class of 1950.

Seven of our fellow foresters were initiated into the honor society of Alpha Zeta. This society elects juniors from the upper one-fifth and seniors from the upper one-fourth of their respective classes in the Division of Agriculture on the basis of scholarship, leadership, and character. Those initiates were: Oscar M. Hahn, George B. Hartman, Jr., Paul F. Hoffman, Erith L. Hopp, Ronald A. Moss, Leonard H. Thomas, and Gerald W. Van Gilst.

The Charles Lathrop Pack prizes, awarded to students enrolled in Forestry, found close competition for the prizes. This award is made for the best essays submitted on forestry subjects. Members of the Forestry Department staff judged the essays and awarded the prizes. Two prizes were awarded to the two winners from the four respective classes. The first prize was \$75, and the second prize was \$25.

Clair L. Kucera won first prize among the seniors. His winning essay was entitled "The Influence of Forest Litter on Run-off." John H. Huling, writing on "Music, Wood and the Violin," won second prize. The competition was so close among the Juniors and Sophomores that the judges split the prizes and awarded \$50. to each of the two winners. Winners for the Juniors were, Francis T. Colbert, who wrote on "Some Aspects of Policy

of Federal Agencies in Administration of Public Grazing Lands", and William H. Craven writing of "Consulting Forestry—A Growing Field Aids the Private Operator in Solving Problems of Economic Utilization and Conservation of Forest Lands". Winners for the Sophomores were Howard N. Schmidt, who wrote on "Forest Recreation—A Growing Horizon", and Earl H. Sayers, who wrote an essay on "Common Sense Forestry". Richard F. Pownall won first prize among the Freshmen. His winning essay was on "Forest Fire Suppression and Prevention." Eugene H. Readinger won second prize, writing on "Advantages of Farm Forestry."

Harold A. Paulsen, our former club president, was awarded a Lane-Wells scholarship. This award is made to worthy students who have earned the major part of their expenses. The purpose of this award is to relieve the recipient of the necessity of working for self-support and using the time released for a broader course of study or other worth while activities on the campus.

These men have upheld every tradition of the Foresters. They have achieved high honors and have been duly recognized. It is now up to all of us by the example they have given us to strive on for greater achievement in our chosen field.

